## **Natural Resources Conservation Service**

# **Application Ranking Summary EQIP General FA 07 Laurens**

Program:	Ranking Date:	Application Number:
Ranking Tool: EQIP General FA 07 Laurens		Applicant:
Final Ranking Score:		Address:
Planner:		Telephone:
Farm Location:		

### **National Priorities Addressed**

Issue Questions	Responses
1. Will the treatment you intend to implement using EQIP result in considerable reductions of non-point source pollution, such as nutrients, sediment, pesticides, excess salinity in impaired watersheds consistent with TMDL's where available as well as the reduction of groundwater contamination or point source contamination from confined animal feeding operations?	Yes O or No O
2. Will the treatment you intend to implement using EQIP result in the conservation of a considerable amount of ground or surface water resources?	Yes O or No O
3. Will the treatment you intend to implement using EQIP result in a considerable reduction of emissions, such as particulate matter, nitrogen oxides (NOx), volatile organic compounds, and ozone precursors and depleters that contribute to air quality impairment violations of National Ambient Air Quality Standards?	
4. Will the treatment you intend to implement using EQIP result in a considerable reduction in soil erosion and sedimentation from unacceptable levels on agricultural land?	Yes O or No O
5. Will the treatment you intend to implement using EQIP result in a considerable increase in the promotion of at-risk species habitat conservation?	Yes O or No O

### **State Issues Addressed**

Issue Questions	Responses
1. Does this application address multiple resource concerns?	Yes O or No O
2. Does this application contain at least one (1) practice that addresses animal waste concerns?	
3. Will the length of this contract be three (3) or less years?	Yes O or No O
4. Will the length of this contract be four (4) or five (5) years?	Yes O or No O
5. Is the majority of the land offered in this application in a watershed identified by the SCDHEC as an impaired watershed (listed on the 303d list)?	
6. Does this application contain at least one (1) practice that directly benefits threatened and endangered or at-risk wildlife species (plant or animal) as identified by NRCS, South Carolina DNR, and/or the US Fish and Wildlife Service?	
7. Does this application contain practices that exclude cattle or other livestock from environmentally sensitive areas, such as; wetlands, streams and riparian stream buffers, etc.?(Mark no if no livestock are present)	
8. Are all of the practices planned on cropland or grassland in this application benefiting Highly Erodible (HEL) fields?	Yes O or No O
9. Is at least one (1), but not all, of the practices planned on cropland or grassland in this application benefiting Highly Erodible (HEL) fields?	
10. Is the majority of the land offered in this application in a watershed with an existing 319 project?	Yes O or No O
11. Does at least one (1) practice in this application benefit livestock related resource needs?	Yes O or No O
12. If approved, will this be the first contract offered to this applicant?	Yes O or No O
13. If approved, will this applicant have a total number of contracts (active and/or expired)of five (5) or less?	
14. Did the applicant certify as a Limited Resource Producer on the CCC 1200 form?	

### **Local Issues Addressed**

Issue Questions	Responses

1. Do you have areas of erosion that need treatment?	Yes O or No O
2. Will you implement a prescribed grazing plan?	Yes O or No O
3. Do your animals access environmentally sensitive areas like streams/ponds?	Yes O or No O
4. Are you willing to exclude animals from environmentally sensitive areas like streams/ponds?	Yes O or No O
5. Do you need an alternative water source?	Yes O or No O
6. Have your pastures been affected by the drought?	Yes O or No O
7. Do you wish to reseed your pasture/hayland?	Yes O or No O
8. Is this a confined animal feeding operation?	Yes O or No O
9. Is this your first time applying for EQIP funds?	Yes O or No O
10. Do you have an active EQIP contract?	Yes O or No O

### Land Use:

Resource Concerns	Practices
Ranking Score	
Efficiency:	
Local Issues:	
State Issues:	
National Issues:	
Final Ranking Score:	

This ranking report is for your information. It does not in any way guarantee funding. When funding becomes available, you will be notified if your application is selected for funding. Some changes to the application may be required before a final contract is awarded.

NRCS Designated Conservationist:	Applicant Signature Required for Contract Development:
Signature Date:	Signature Date: